

Mesenchymal Stem Cells (MSCs)

HSCs ; MSCs → multipotent → mesenchymal Stromal Cells
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MSCs → Adult Stem Cells.

Properties of MSCs

- i) Plastic Adherent properties
- ii) Self-renewal capacity
- iii) multi-lineage differentiation (eg., Osteocytes, adipocytes and chondrocytes)
- iv) Characteristic cell marker expression.

MSCs → umbilical cord; bone marrow, adipose tissue, dental pulp, menstrual blood, &

→ Mesoderm derived.

→ In-vitro MSCs may be induced to transdifferentiate into ENDOERMAL LINEAGE CELLS, β -CELLS and HEPATOCYTES.

→ Can also induced to form ectodermal lineage like oligodendrocytes and neurons.

Functions Of MSCs.

→ Tissue maintenance and repair

→ The potential for differentiation provides the mechanism for tissue self repair following injury, disease or senescence.

→ They also contribute to homeostatic functions they regulate immune responses through various regulation involving cell contact, and secreted factors involving both innate and adaptive immunity.

→ MSCs release a variety of bioactive molecules referred as "SECRETOME" including GFs, enzymes, adhesion proteins & cytokines.

Modulation of Immune Response

HGF
IDO
IL-6
IL-10
TGF- β

Modulation of Apoptosis

HGF
IGF-1
TGF- β
TIMP-1/2
VEGF

MSC
PARACRINE
SIGNALS
(Secretome)

Modulation
of ~~Apoptosis~~
Angiogenesis
Angiopoietin-1
FGF-2
HGF
IGF-1
VEGF

Modulation of Inflammation

TNF- γ
IL-6
IL-10
TNF- α
IL-1~~A~~